



Dear Colleague,

I can hardly believe that it's been two years since the Kootenai River Network (KRN) hosted the last public meetings to share information related to water quality concerns in the Kootenai/ay watershed. As you are aware, much has transpired over the past two years. The KRN will be hosting two public stakeholder meeting in November to publicly share the latest and best available information related to water quality impacts/effects associated with coal mining in the Elk River Valley.

The first meeting will be held in Libby at the Maki Theater on November 12<sup>th</sup>, from 5-7 pm, located at 724 Louisiana Avenue.

The second meeting will be held in Eureka at the high school auditorium, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 p.m., located at 340 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

The KRN is currently developing a list of questions that we commonly encounter within our local communities. We anticipate that our list of questions will be finalized and provided to each panelist before October 22. The two community meetings will consist of a panel format where a moderator guides us through a group discussion for each question. We anticipate the questions to be similar to those from our previous public forum.

At the end of the question period there will be an open discussion time for members of the audience to ask brief questions, which will be limited to 1-2 minutes. We will ask that panelists please limit all responses to moderator and public questions to approximately 5 minutes so that all questions can be addressed.

After the meeting, we will have an open social time where panel members and the public can interact and talk one on one.

The KRN requests that you please nominate one representative from your organization to sit on the panel. Please email me an RSVP confirmation of your agency's participation by C.O.B. October 18<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your consideration to participate in this important public educational effort.

Sincerely,

Jim Dunnigan  
KRN President